

## Doon students splash into Winter Carnival

By Leanne Okum and Ted Hodgins

Even though the outdoor activities at Doon campus' winter carnival were not as successful as the Doon Student Association had hoped, activities co-ordinator Becky Westman was satisfied with the final outcome.

"Lack of student participation in some of the events was disappointing," said entertainment manager Shawn McEwen.

"It is really tough for people to get involved," said McEwen. "It is very frustrating because people don't seem to hear about the events. People must have poster blindness or something."

Carnival Week started on Feb. 3 with the selling of Chill Out t-shirts. Minor profits were lost due to only 68 shirts being sold instead of the planned 100.

Comedian Mike Wilmont's quick jokes and foul language livened-up lunch crowd students in the hour-long nooner.

A euchre tournament was scheduled in the student lounge with 15 teams participating. Also a snow pitch tournament, sponsored by Labatt's, took place at the Kenneth E. Hunter recreation centre. Out of three teams participating, the Regulator's from construction engineering won.

On Feb. 4, Lisa Frederick, Bruce Gilkenson and Natasha Sweeney challenged the celebrity panel Jeffrey Nold, DSA president, Dan Young, supervisor of athletics and student life and Barb McCauley, intramural co-ordinator, in the

game Liar's Club.

Dominique Flaminio, a first-year law and security administration student, won the table hockey tournament in the student lounge.

The Mike Mandel dinner show sold 124 tickets but McEwen wasn't unhappy with the loss.

"I think Mike Mandel was a highlight for me," said McEwen. "It took a lot of planning and although we didn't get a really superb turnout, we were satisfied."

On Feb. 5, LASA students were host to a barbecue outside the cafeteria while John Lima and Kham VongNhay, management studies students, won the foosball tournament in the student lounge.

McCauley waited for participants to sign up for outdoor activities but soon had to cancel the snow volleyball, snow sculpture contest, snow golf tournament and Cliff the Condor's relay.

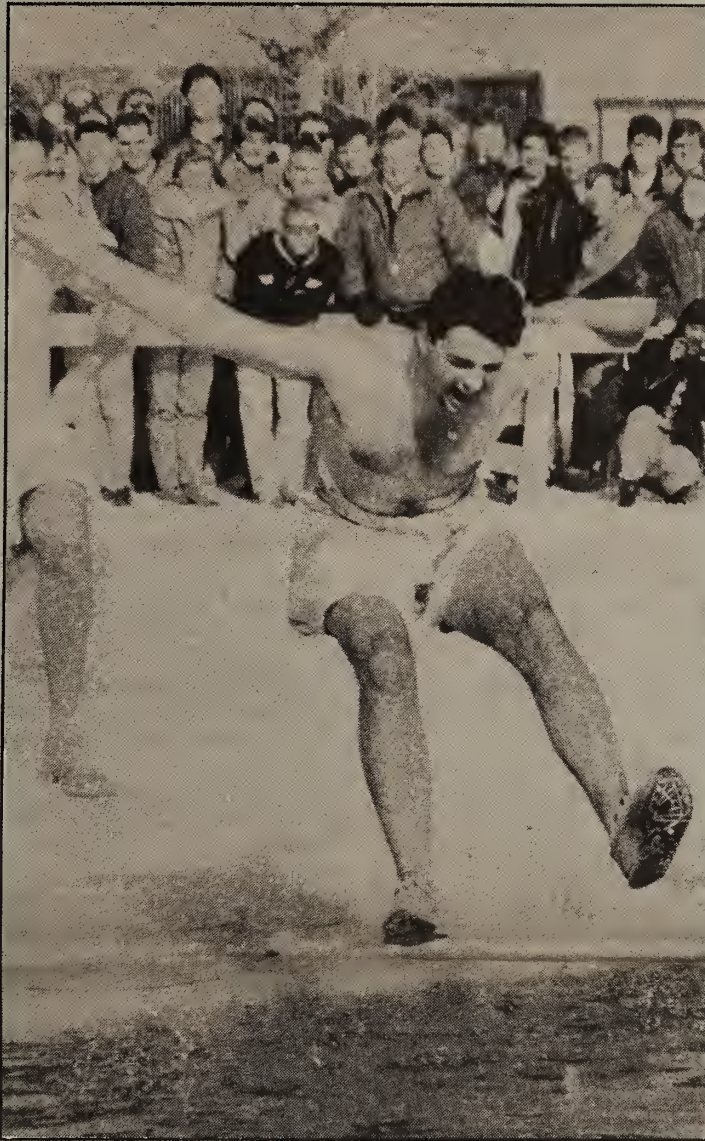
"The sign-ups were disappointing because of the amount of preparation involved," Westman said.

Second-year accounting students Sheri Zehr, Gino Tarantino, Martin Sookhoo, Denis Anstett and Glen Millard pulled off first-prize in the tug of war competition.

On Feb. 6, 26 individuals took the annual Polar Plunge into the icy cold waters on the Doon campus pond.

That night, the Rhino's took the stage at the Labatt's winter carnival pub and performed for more than 175 students.

McEwen, along with approximately 65 other students, departed for the Quebec Winter Carnival after the show.



Henry Reis, third-year electronics engineering technology, takes the plunge.

(Photo by Leanne Okum)

## Miss Betty visits Doon

By Renee Ammendolia

Betty Thompson, a well-known television personality in the Kitchener-Waterloo area, came to Conestoga College's Doon campus on Feb. 6, to talk to students about her career and her continuing fight with cancer.

Thompson, noted for her role as Miss Betty on Romper Room, is now community relations director for CKCO television. She was born in Walkerton and moved soon afterwards to Peterborough. At the age of 14 she wanted to be a women's director in radio.

When she asked what she should do to pursue a radio career, she was told to take a course and get more background.

She went to Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in 1956 for a three-year radio program.

Back then, she said, women were hired only as writers.

"It was all that you could get," Thompson said. "You had to start somewhere, but you didn't get your own talk show."

After her program, she sent out 25 resumes and received 23 replies.

"I wish it could be that way for you people today," Thompson said.

Out of the replies, though she considered a job in Calgary, she accepted an offer in Kitchener. She said her reason for this was that she was closer to her family and home. Her years as a writer at CKCO were absolutely wonderful because they were fulfilling.

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## DSA 91/92 treasurer position eliminated

By Leanne Okum

Effective Jan. 31, the Doon Student Association discontinued the executive position of its treasurer due to the large amount of work involved.

Ex-treasurer, Jen VanDerZwaag, is no longer a member of the DSA executive because as a full-time student, she felt she could not handle the extra duties.

"There is just too much to do in the treasurer position," said VanDerZwaag, a third-year accounting student. "I honestly don't think that a full-time student can do the job because the position is more than a part-time job."

DSA president Jeffrey Nold said the decision was made because VanDerZwaag fell behind in some of the monthly financial duties because of the heavy workload involved.

"When you look at a position, like treasurer, there is a lot of responsibilities," Nold said.

"If you make one little mistake, then you have to backtrack from month to month and find out where that little error was.

"It's normal to make mistakes ... but it was just becoming more and more of a burden for a full-time student," Nold said.

With the DSA's accounting system, ACCPAC Plus, the executive realized that the work involved was too much and met with VanDerZwaag to see what could be done to help.

"It wasn't for any other reason that DSA doesn't have a treasurer anymore," Nold said.

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Jen VanDerZwaag

## Thieves rob Doon photocopiers

By Leanne Okum

Close to \$800 in damage was sustained to a photocopier at Conestoga College's Doon campus Feb. 3, when burglars broke open the machine, looking for coins.

The photocopier, located outside room 1B40 in the business wing, was the third machine robbed in the past four months.

On Jan. 22 and Nov. 27, 1991, copiers located outside room 2A19 in the technical wing, were vandalized.

Security personnel said an audio-video technician noticed an open door on the photocopier and called security at approximately 4 p.m. Security then notified Doon Student Association president Jeff Nold.

Phil Olinski the DSA's business manager, said approximately \$70-75 in change was taken from the photocopier. In the first two incidents, the DSA's average loss was \$30-35 but about \$50 damage was done to the machines.

"Damage was minimal but it exceeded the amount of money taken," Olinski said.

The DSA is working with security to come up with some strategies that, hopefully, will minimize the

likelihood of this taking place again Olinski said.

"Waterloo regional police have been notified on all three occasions and when the individual(s) is caught, the DSA will prosecute."

Olinski said it is unfortunate when you get into situations like this be-

cause although the amount of money taken is minimal the damage is severe.

"In the end, the losers are the students because the money for repairs has to come from somewhere, and ultimately, it will come out of the student fees," Olinski added.



Phil Olinski examines one of the damaged photocopiers.

(Photo by Catherine O'Brien)



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## A visit home to do laundry



By  
 Lori Joslin

I like living on my own. It is nice to be able to arrive home at the crack of dawn, or grocery shop just to buy Twinkies, potato chips, chocolate cookies and pop.

However, there are a few things I miss.

I miss having three wardrobes to choose from instead of one.

My sister and mother always seemed to have more appealing clothes, than I, in their closets.

That is why, when I moved out a year ago, Mom and Terri were shocked to discover how many of their things I actually had.

I miss cooking that has more flavor simply because someone else made it. Although I do cook myself: Kraft Dinner, instant coffee, jello, and so on.

I appreciate the effort it takes to make a bed now. (I used to be a firm believer in the philosophy that one should not have to make a bed that one is just going to mess up again in 12 or 14 hours.)

Now, I'm finding myself pulling the corners up after I get up just so I can have a neatly made bed to crawl into at night, like I had when I was home.

Before I moved out, the concept of washing clothes had little meaning to me. I thought I knew what the words 'dirty laundry' meant.

When I was living at home, dirty laundry was made up of three things: first, it was clothes I could no longer wear because they had a few specks of dirt on them; second, dirty laundry meant clothes that had been thrown on the floor, accumulated some dust and therefore, were dirty; third, dirty laundry meant clothes that had been worn once and, on that basis, needed to be washed.

When I moved out, it took a mere 30 days for me to realize I had been sadly mistaken about my laundry.

It was shocking to realize that the pile of clothes, tossed carelessly in the hamper on a daily basis, was not decreasing in size.

Frantically, as I searched nearly empty clothes drawers. I was bewildered.

Moments later, I understood the resigned sigh, I heard weekly from Mom as she gathered the hampers from each bedroom.

Though I miss not having my laundry done for me, I have developed a new skill and re-defined two terms in my vocabulary.

I appreciate a long-distance phone bill. It was an enlightening experience to get the first bill, almost equal to my rent.

I only made a few, select albeit long calls to family and friends that I conveniently forgot, at the time were long distance.

I miss not being close enough to be able to talk face to face.

It is not that I am complaining, I like living on my own.

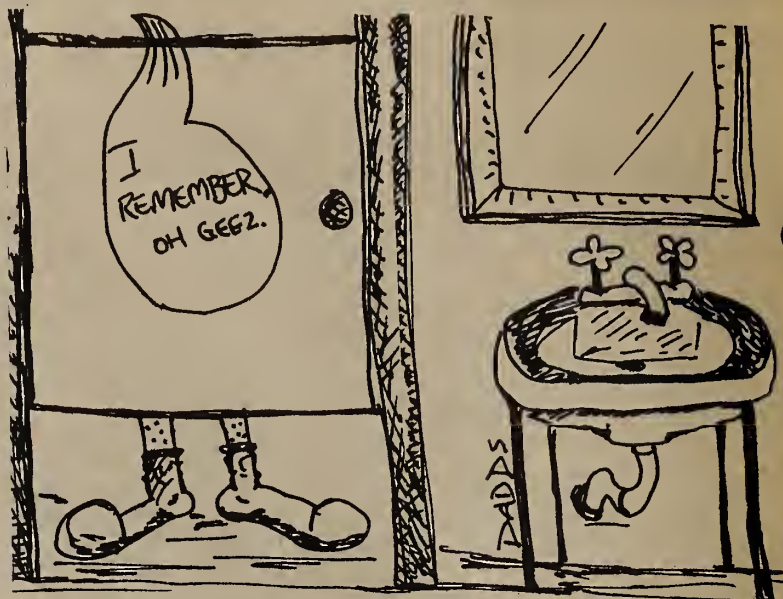
I just like to visit home once in a while.

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# OPINION

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## T.V. violence affects our children

Children in Canada have been constantly exposed to television violence, which is now seen as an unchangeable part of our society.

But the question that must be asked is where will the line be drawn?

Adults are free to make their own choices and have grown up enough to develop a set of morals. They are not as impressionable because of maturity and experience.

Children, on the other hand, can not always distinguish between what is real and what is not. In fact, a child can be easily influenced or affected by what he or she sees.

Although some would argue that children are smarter than adults give them credit for, it is not their intelligence that is being disputed.

A child's mind is molded by the environment they live in. At a young age, their personalities are being formed.

Whatever input they are fed as children usually affects their behaviour as they grow up.

Which brings us to the aspect of television. Violent programs are not something new to our society, but in recent years, they have become extremely graphic and commonplace. In fact, 98 per cent of Canadians have a television.

Canadians watch an average of 23.5 hours of television a week. Children watch up to 20 hours of television a week, sometimes more time watching television than they spend in school.

That is a lot of viewing. Especially if the programs are violent.

There is no doubt that violence is thrilling and excit-

ing for children and adults alike. But how it is interpreted by the two is very different.

According to scientific studies, television violence is harmful to children. The effects are verbal aggression, heightened anxiety, shortened temper and de-sensitization towards violence.

Some people would argue that violence is cathartic and that children will watch it anyways. Perhaps this is true in some cases, but does that eliminate our responsibility to children?

Is it right to put them in front of a television set to view whatever may be on?

Is it right that children over the age of five consistently watch adult-rated films?

Are they ready to handle the material that is portrayed to them?

In their minds, can they distinguish what is reality? These are points that must be addressed.

Sandra Campbell, a consultant who has researched the impact of media violence on children for the Ontario Ministry of Education, said: "Parents have to protect children from that (violence) because children don't have the skills to handle it."

Parents should monitor what their children watch at a young age and also sit down with children to discuss the messages presented on television.

A young child should not be allowed to witness up to fifteen murders a week.

Because even though adults know the violence isn't real, a young child may not. And the effects could be damaging. It's the responsibility parents have to their children.

—By Renee Ammendolia

## Gun control no cure for violence

In response to the tragic deaths of three Waterloo citizens at Ontario Glove Manufacturing Co. Ltd. on Feb. 3, many people may suddenly be jumping on the tougher gun control bandwagon.

The idea that banning guns will solve violence problems in Kitchener-Waterloo, or any other city for that matter, is wrong.

Today's society is becoming more violent day after day, and although guns may have a large impact on that violence, not all violent crimes are committed with guns.

Violence is seen everyday on television. Children watch it and laugh, for them it's funny.

We watch it and stare in awe at how neat it is to see a decapitated body.

If it makes the viewer jump or there is a lot of blood, the director gets two thumbs up.

Desperate people tend to do desperate things. The human mind does not always function logically.

Television or theatre productions are not the only role model for violence. The human race has a history of violence, some of which is justified.

There is no sense denying it, humans love seeing the thrill of the chase, the power of the "kill" and feeling that adrenaline pumping through the veins.

In a recent edition of the Kitchener-Waterloo Record, two columnists took a stand for stronger gun control.

One of them suggested that all existing personal guns

in Canadian homes be seized, making it illegal to own a firearm in Canada.

The consequences of such a legislation could very well cause the collapse of our already sinking economy.

First of all, guns are a large source of income in this country. Banning the ownership of guns would force the closing of gun shops, hunting shops, specialty shops and pawn shops across the country.

Although they are not a threat physically, all children's toy firearms as well as any products which may encourage violence would have to be removed from the market to avoid temptation.

That means good-bye G.I. Joe, good-bye Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. Millions of valuable dollars, not to mention jobs will be lost.

Outlawing firearms is not the true answer to today's violence problems, but it is a start. What is needed is social re-conditioning.

With or without guns, the death tolls are still going to rise. The Feb. 1 fatal stabbing death of a Kitchener woman is proof of that.

Our society needs to change, to restructure its perceptions of life, love and happiness.

A more peaceful and less violent future can only be achieved if society changes the way it thinks, as well as the way it lives.

—By Tammy Caron



# Council enhances nursing program

By Tammy Caron

Nursing students at Conestoga College's Doon campus have the opportunity to improve their level of education thanks to the formation of the Student Nursing Awareness Council.

"It was formed for the nursing student body to enhance the education of the program," said council chairperson and third-year registered nursing student Karen Beaton.

"We have to get involved in health issues right now to become

more politically and ethically aware, so we are well rounded when we come out (graduate)."

The Student Nursing Awareness Council is a student organized group exclusively for nursing students, whose aim is to provide an extra-curricular educational and social environment for students. This is to be achieved through guest speaker presentations, seminars, group discussions and field trips.

Last September, students interested in holding one of the seven positions available on the council began campaigning among the nursing student body.

Elections were held in October.

The council is a student-governed body, but Beaton said faculty have more of a parent role in their decisions.

"They give us guidance and experience in issues we are confronting. They were really receptive to the idea," said Beaton.

Although the organization is strictly for nursing students at the Doon campus, council secretary Catherine Valeriotte said expansion of the group to the Stratford campus, as well as other colleges who offer nursing programs, would depend on their success.

"I don't know of any other college that has a student awareness council, so this is once again a pioneer project by Conestoga College," said Valeriotte.

"Hopefully we'll act as a role model for other colleges."

"Once we have established ourselves for a year, we will contact other colleges," Valeriotte said.



Members of the Student Nursing Awareness Council: Dave Saynor, Karen Beaton (top left), Dale Braithwaite, Laurie Hofer (middle left), and Lynn Hall (front).

(Photo by Tammy Caron)



## Smash-up!

A multi-car collision caused congestion on Doon Valley Boulevard Feb. 4, after high winds caused sudden white-out conditions in late afternoon. Waterloo regional police said three people were taken to hospital. Two were immediately released and the third was held over night.

(Photo by Gary Erb)

## Treasurer leaves position

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"It wasn't a conflict of interest, or that Jen didn't like the organization."

It was basically that a student couldn't handle the workload."

Nold said the executive accepted that VanDerZwaag was unhappy with the fact that she could never catch up with her ever increasing workload.

VanDerZwaag said her problems may have been caused by inadequate training.

"I thought that I did my job right but I wasn't aware of my full responsibilities," VanDerZwaag said.

"New responsibilities kept coming up every day and it was hard to keep up."

Nold said that the policy and procedures manual that the executive is currently working on will help next year's executive because it will tell what duties are involved with each position.

Also, there is a three-week transition period for this year's executive to work with the new executive and show them the "ins and outs" of their job, Nold said.

VanDerZwaag's responsibilities will be restructured between the

DSA business manager, Phil Olinski, and a possible part-time bookkeeper.

Nold said the treasurer's job position is very comprehensive but is positive that Olinski can handle the work.

"Of course, there is only so much a person can do," said Nold.

"The next few months will be a busy time but with the co-operation that the executive has displayed, I think we will be able to weather the storm," Olinski said. "It certainly will be challenging."

"There is a lot of money involved that has to be looked over and there is so much that has to be done on a day to day basis," Nold said.

"There is no way that we can give it all to our business manager."

Nold said that the treasurer's honorarium may be divided into a partial instalment for VanDerZwaag.

The rest may be budgeted, and put toward the part-time bookkeeper.

Next year, the DSA still has plans to have a student executive treasurer but some responsibilities will be alleviated from the position.

For now, VanDerZwaag still wants to help the DSA with activities and plans to keep involved with the executive.

## Annual spring graphics show will be held in Toronto March 23 to 25

By M. Coleen Bellemare

Third-year Conestoga graphic advertising and design students are holding their Fourth Annual Graphics Show, at the Enoch Turner Schoolhouse, in Toronto March 23-25.

The schoolhouse is an appropriate place for the students to display their work because in the advertising and graphic design industry people have been displaying there recently, said Matt Miller, third-year graphic advertising and design instructor.

It was built in 1848 off the back of Trinity Church and it was the first free school in Toronto.

Less than 20 third-year graphics students are participating in the show and, with some help from Miller, are organizing the event and will attend the show to answer any questions people may have about it. The curator and director of the show will be Jean Horn.

The purpose of the show is to give people in the advertising and graphic design community an example of the work of this year's graduates, Miller said.

Project work the students have done will be exhibited at the show.

"Each student has two presentation panels (foam core boards 0.75 metres by 1.05 metres) and it's up to them as to how they want to present themselves," Miller said.

The students have undertaken a number of fund-raising activities to pay for the show such as the jewellery sale on Feb. 3 and a

graphics pub at the Twist on Feb. 27.

Money that is raised will be used to rent the schoolhouse, buy display materials, provide refreshments for opening night and send out invitations designed by the students.

"This is not just a simple invitation," Miller said.

"This is an invitation to the graphic design community so it has to be something."

"In years past we've won awards for the things we've done so we've

got a lot to live up to."

On the invitation list for opening night is prospective employers, top graduates of the graphics program and administrators from Conestoga College.

"There will be 1,000 invitations sent out to a variety of people for the regular show but we want to get 50 to 100 people for opening night," Miller said.

On March 24 and 25, the show is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Graphics show: students pay by selling jewellery

By Renee Ammendolia

Three Conestoga third-year graphics students demonstrated marketing initiative when they sold hand-crafted articles of jewellery and hair accessories at the Doon campus Feb. 3 to 5.

Melissa Totzke, Sarah Hopper and Lisa Schropp were given permission to sell their wares by the Doon Student Association.

"If it goes well, we'll probably do it again later on in the year," Totzke said.

Their prices ranged from two to eight dollars.

"Prices depend on the work we put into it, as well as the expensive gems or stones that we use," Totzke said.

The products were made with fimo, friendly plastic, leather, plastic jewels, metal, shells and beads.

"We had a lot of custom orders after the first day, so I made some things at home," Totzke said.

"Some people asked us if we do house parties. We hadn't thought of it, but it would be fun."

Totzke said people who want a specific style or color are welcome to contact third-year students in the graphics wing for custom orders.

"The hair 'scrunchies' sold really well," Schropp said.

Creating the jewellery is a hobby for the students and was not part of a required class project.

Totzke said the money raised from the sales will go towards a graphics show being held in Toronto.

This will help promote the talent of third-year graphics students.

Graphics students are also having a pub at the Twist Feb. 27 to raise money for the show.



Melissa Totzke, left, Lisa Schropp and Sarah Hopper, third-year graphics students, display their work.

(Photo by Catherine O'Brien)



# Chill Out! Doon Winter Carnival '92

## Nooner leaves students smiling

By Ted Hodgins

Comedian Mike Wilmont kept the lunch crowd in stitches during an hour-long Winter Carnival nooner on Feb. 3.

Wilmont, 29, has been doing a comedy routine for six years and entertained Conestoga College students at the Doon campus cafeteria.

He said, "The show started out a little slow, but once it got going, it was fine."

His routine included jokes such as the Great Canadian cop-out vacation, the CN Tower (the tallest freestanding rip-off) and the great Canadian



Mike Wilmont physique — big gut, no butt.

He also said "Women put on deodorant different than men. Men use it all over. We basically see it as a shower in a tube."

He also joked about drug and alcohol problems.

"How many people are killed from drinking each year? Only two people have ever been killed by marijuana ... back in the summer of '71. A big bale of weed fell on them. They would have gotten out of the way ... but they were drunk at the time."

He even made fun of programs offered at the college.

"You're taking electrical engineering are you? Isn't that just plug in, plug out?" asked Wilmont.

He said he enjoyed performing at the college and would like to come back again.

## Crowd left under Mandel's spell



Tim Marsden lies sleeping on stage at the Mike Mandel dinner show.

(Photo by Catherine O'Brien.)



Mike Mandel

By Ted Hodgins

The highlight of the second day of the Conestoga College's 1992 Winter Carnival, was the dinner-show featuring mentalist, Mike Mandel.

The Feb. 4 performance was a strange mix of hypnosis and humor — all of which required audience participation.

The audience responded enthusiastically to his amazing card tricks and hypnotism.

Mandel worked with more than

14 audience members during the hypnotism segment.

He made the volunteers think they were everywhere from the tropics to the arctic.

It appeared they could feel the temperature changes as well as believing their locale.

Mandel also gave them the "power" to see the audience naked and then he yelled "reverse", causing the group to believe they were naked.

Mandel had one person on stage

giving up his wallet repeatedly and demanding to switch seats with others on the stage.

"What I do works on almost everyone," Mandel said.

"In fact the method I'm using is over 130 years old," he told the audience.

"It works on 85-90 per cent of people in a group setting."

Mandel said he began his career as a mentalist soon after he arrived in Canada from England when he was 14.

He said he noticed a book in a shop about hypnotizing friends ... and 17 years later he's still doing it.

"It only takes 15 seconds and you won't even know it's happening."

During the show he also told stories of past performances.

"About 15 years ago I did a performance at this very campus, and as I've said before no one that I have ever worked with has been harmed...but unfortunately I haven't been so lucky," Mandel said.

"I used to do this bit, called the Miss Universe act.

"I would hypnotize a group of women and make them think that they had just won the pageant.

"One of them got so excited that she jumped into my arms and I fell back, hit my neck on one of the chairs and tore muscles in my neck," he said.

Mandel said once the show was over, the volunteers would remember what happened on stage only if they went to the washroom.

Needless to say there was quite an audience lined up for the washroom to see the reaction of the hypnotised participants.

Mandel said he felt the show went well, "I enjoy coming to your college, just don't make it 10 years again until you invite me back."



### Polar Tug

From left, Todd Francis, Tracey Orvis, second-year law and security administration students, Tracey Gimby, athletic assistant and second-year LASA student Russ Manderville participate in the tug of war contest on Feb. 5 at Doon campus.

(Photo by Leanne Okum)



### Winter Barbecue

Bonhomme and Bob Hayes, law and security administration teacher, enjoy a polar-dog at the LASA barbecue on Feb. 5. Proceeds from the barbecue are going towards the LASA awards banquet. The barbecue at the Conestoga College Doon campus was held during Winter Carnival week.

(Photo by Leanne Okum)



### Athlete of Year Nomination Form

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Varsity Sport: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Outstanding Contributions or Awards: \_\_\_\_\_

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# *makes a big splash for students*

## Jump!

### Doon students brave cold weather in Polar Plunge fun

By Leanne Okum

Even though the temperature on Feb. 6, was just below zero, 26 students at Conestoga College's Doon campus were brave enough to attempt the annual Polar Plunge.

But Doon's nurse Marilyn Fischer said although the plunge went well there were two problems she observed.

Students were told in an information session before the event that they were not allowed to dive and were supposed to jump into the water feet first.

Fischer was unhappy with some students that belly-flopped into the icy-cold water.

The second problem Fischer noticed was a student who entered the water and came close to going under the ice.

"He didn't come up with the rest of his group and he was very close to the ice when he went into the water," said Fischer. "We don't know what could be under there."

"Other than that, it was well-organized. Basically, students did do what they were asked to do prior to going in."

Participants were not allowed to

stay in the water longer than one minute.

"There were no injuries which was the number one concern," said Becky Westman, Doon Student Association activities co-ordinator.

In the past, there have only been minor cuts and bruises from hitting the ice and nothing serious like



Robert Erikson, third-year mechanical engineering design and analysis

hypothermia, Fischer said.

"The problem with cuts and bruises is that you have to worry about the dirty water," Fischer said. "The water was so filthy, that the chance of infection is greater when there is a cut."

Students were allowed to stay in the full minute but only a few survived the chill. DSA spotters blew a whistle for people who wanted to stay in longer than the given time.

Fischer said that other things could have happened to the participants like hypothermia or a cardiac arrest from the shock of jumping into the water.

Many participants didn't realize the low temperature of the water.

"It was damn cold," said Adrian Loxton, a second-year law and security administration student. "I honestly wasn't expecting it to be that cold."

Jamic Slater, DSA vice-president of communications said that the Polar Plunge went well.

"I was a bit upset with the spectators that started throwing snowballs at the participants because safety comes first," he said.

"It was a very good event that lots of people enjoyed taking part in."

## Rhinos romp at rockin' pub

By Ken Cenerelli

Like a herd of wild animals, the Rhinos stampeded their way into the Doon campus cafeteria on Feb. 6 to entertain about 200 people at the Winter Carnival Pub.

Shawn McEwen, DSA Entertainment Manager, considered the pub a "success" and said the pub sold about 175 tickets. The other 25 people were a group of students waiting for the buses to take them on the Quebec Winter Carnival Trip.

"I'm very happy with the turnout," McEwen said. "I didn't want to follow anything from last year, I wanted something different. I consider it money well spent on local talent."

The pub was the first at Doon to have a designated smoking area and McEwen figures this had some effect on the large turnout. A pub can hold 375 people but McEwen said he really wanted this one to sell out.

"I just don't know what it is, it must be poster blindness. But I'm satisfied with the turnout," McEwen said.

The Rhinos played three sets of music ranging from funk to straight ahead rock.

Steve Kendall, drummer for the



Dan Michel, left, and Mike Blanchard of the Rhinos.

Rhinos and a former Conestoga College marketing student, chalked up the response to the economy. He figured people couldn't afford to go to pubs anymore, and if they can, they can't afford to spend too much.

Dan Michel, singer for the Rhinos, was baffled by the response. With only 30 people on the dance floor at any given time, it was a different response than what he is used to.

"It wasn't too exciting. We don't comatose people that often," Michel said.

## S.A.C. Student Athletic Committee Positions Available for 1992/93

**Criteria: Students from any full-time program**

Do you have an interest in student leadership and working with the Intramural Program as a convener to assist with events that run from Orientation in September throughout the school year?

If you are interested in one of these positions and want to get involved, pick up an application from the Recreation Centre or call 748-3512 Ext. 386 or 231 for more information.

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## Intramural Team of Year

The Intramural Team of the Year will be selected prior to the Awards Banquet. This team could be an outstanding team, who shows great interest, enthusiasm, in intramurals or gets involved in a number of activities throughout the year under the same name.

**Selection is also based on the following criteria:**

1. A team with enthusiasm that shows good sportsmanship.
2. A team who has displayed considerable effort (i.e. has a good number of participants, or in attendance at every game, but does not necessarily have to be in top place)
3. A team that has a good win/loss record or has made it to the finals in several leagues or tournaments.
4. To be recognized as a team member, a person must play in 60% of any league and be eligible for playoffs and also play on two or more leagues.

## Elections '92

**Campaign week:**

Monday, March 2 to Friday, March 6

**Speeches:**

Monday, March 9

**Voting:**

Monday, March 9 to  
Wednesday, March 11  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

and  
Thursday, March 12  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
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## News Flash

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The Doon Student Association will be accepting applications from March 2 to March 27 at noon for the following positions:  
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# Television's Betty Thompson fights the odds

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She showed the class an eight minute tape with different clips of her interviews and talk shows.

There were clips of her as Miss Betty of Romper Room, the Betty and Friends show, her visits to the hospital, and her show, Tempo Ontario.

As well, there were interviews with Robert Goulet, Guy Lombardo, Raymond Burr, Frankie Avalon and Charlton Heston.

"Raymond Burr was my favorite interview," Thompson said.

"I had a show called Flower Spot and he invited me to Hollywood to see his orchids."

Although Thompson has enjoyed professional success, her personal life has been rather difficult.

"You may have heard that having a career and being a housewife don't go together, it's partially true."

She was living in Orillia, struggling to raise three children.

Her first husband was an alcoholic and the family was falling into debt.

Thompson decided she had to change her mate and her lifestyle.

Leaving her husband, she moved back to Peterborough and decided to go to teacher's college.

## Welfare

She refused to put stress and strain on her family by borrowing money from them, instead she applied for welfare.

Thompson went to teacher's college for one year and then taught grade one which was, "a wonderful storybook synopsis for me, but not the real me," Thompson said.

She was working seven days-a-week, trying to save money to take care of the children.

She was still feeling a little ashamed for having taken welfare.

She wanted to give a little back to the community that helped her.

Thompson got involved in volunteer work as a method of paying back her debt to society.

Thompson has been involved with Big Sisters of Kitchener-Waterloo and area, Best Friends of Big Sisters, the fund-raising



Betty Thompson, speaks to Conestoga students about her career and her fight with cancer.

(Photo by Renee Ammendolia)

arm of Big Sisters.

She has also been involved with the United Way, Parents are People Too, Flowers Canada, Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest, the John Howard Society, the Zonta Club of Kitchener-Waterloo and the United Way.

"I had always wished there was a big sister for my youngest daughter," Thompson said.

## Rebuilding

She has also helped to raise money for several other organizations.

Thompson also rebuilt her personal life.

She has been married to Ken Bauman for 13 years and said she was lucky to meet him.

Everything was going wonderful, her career, her involvement in the community and her life. Then she was diagnosed with breast cancer.

On Labor Day of 1990, she had her breast removed.

"It was a pretty horrible time in my life," Thompson said.

"Four out of my 10 lymph nodes

had cancer, and the cancer had metastasized into the bones of my body."

Thompson said it was important that women were aware that five times more women die of breast cancer than people die of AIDS.

She said after the age of 50, women should have a mammogram done so any cancer can be detected in the early stages.

"Take care of yourself," Thompson said.

"And always get another opinion. If you have any doubts, get another opinion."

"It all boils down to you'll only get the care you want if you ask for it."

"Some people think mammograms hurt, but I can tell you the pain of breast removal."

Before leaving Thompson said people should keep busy with something they can be happy with. "They say that a good attitude keeps you around longer," Thompson said.

"If that's so, I'll have the best one in the world."

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### NOMINATION RULES

- a nomination form or written letter will be accepted as an official nomination
- all nominations must be in by Friday, March 13
- more than one nomination form may be completed for one athlete

### SELECTION COMMITTEE

The selection committee shall be made up of the Athletics Officers, Athletics Assistant, the manager of Recreation Services and the Supervisor of Athletics and Student Life (Chairperson).

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- All nominees must have successfully completed or will successfully complete their academic semester(s) (pass all courses)
- All nominees must be full-time students of Conestoga College playing on a Conestoga College Varsity Team.
- Nominees must have participated in a varsity sport at Conestoga College
- Nominees must have demonstrated accomplishment and exceptional athletic ability leadership qualities, dedication and sportsmanship in the athletic program (Intramural and Varsity)

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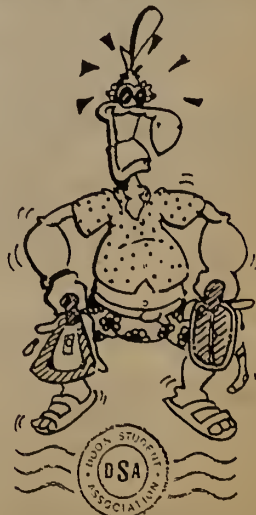
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# Postgraduate study top-ranked

By M.L. Skornyak

The Woodworking Centre of Ontario at Conestoga College's Doon campus reached a new level of academic sophistication with the introduction of a postgraduate program in September.

Woodworking manufacturing management, is geared specifically towards industrial engineering with a woodworking focus.

Industry surveys indicated a need for more specific training, which is not available in the two-year technician program, Fred Mott, co-ordinator of the woodworking manufacturing management program, said.

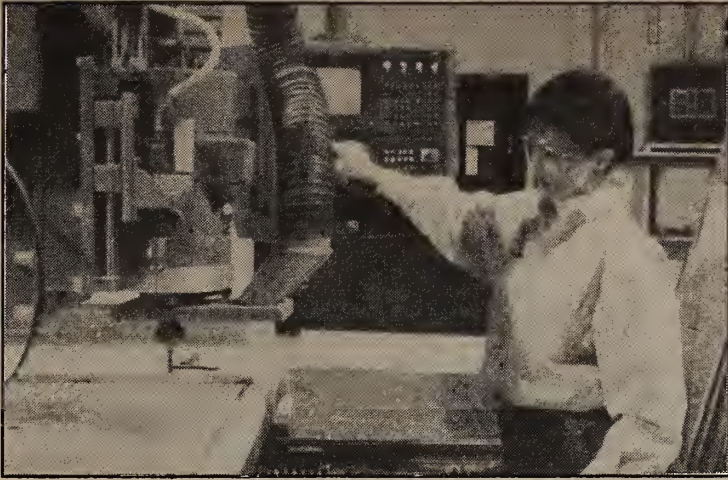
"There is a whole area in the woodworking industry which is not really serviced in training facilities," said Mott.

"And that is the area of industrial engineering — plant planning, product planning, scheduling and controls."

Mott, who graduated from Conestoga College's woodworking program in 1979, said, "The only place, the best place in North America a student can get trained in woodworking at this level of education, is at Conestoga College."

The program ideally accepts 16 students, based on their standing in the two-year technician program, because of equipment restrictions in the labs.

There are 14 students, all graduates of Conestoga College's woodworking technician program, enrolled.



Julie McNab works on machinery in the woodworking centre at Doon campus

(Photo by M.L. Skornyak)

"The original plan calls for it (the program) to be open to all students," Mott said.

But because of the demands of the program and the quality of education offered at Conestoga College, "the technician program is without question the real feeder program."

Students agree the program is demanding and the workload is heavy, but the postgraduate program offers them an opportunity to study in areas not available at any other training facility.

"I had wanted to get into this program whether I had a job in woodworking or not," said 23-year-old Allen Coutts, who graduated from the technician program in 1990. "Simply because of the courses that are offered."

The first semester concentrated primarily on theory, now the students are spending about half of their time on practical work, Mott said.

"It's a learning year for both the instructors and the students," said 33-year-old Julie McNab, who graduated in May 1991 with the highest all-around standing in the technician program.

"In a way, we're guinea-pigs. The instructors determine workload and what material can be covered within a specified time frame by how much we're understanding."

"The teachers push us hard, but that's expected," McNab said. "This is nothing like the technician program because we are learning skills that make us the elite in the industry."

The program includes automotive machining exposure, testing analysis, facility planning and planning control, as well as practicum courses, where the students work on independent projects designed to fine-tune their problem-solving skills Mott said.

"Everything that you have done for that particular practicum is your own work," Coutts said. "Whether it's good or bad, it's all up to you."

Both the students and Mott agreed the skills being taught in the postgraduate program will be invaluable, but because there is nothing like it available it is impossible to determine the impact this program will have.

"We believe that our training in woodworking is a very highly industrial-oriented, technically-oriented type of training," said Mott. "I don't have any concern that these students, who have some excellent skills that have not previously existed, within five years will be doing very well in the industry."

"As teachers we don't have any success unless our students are successful."



Fred Mott

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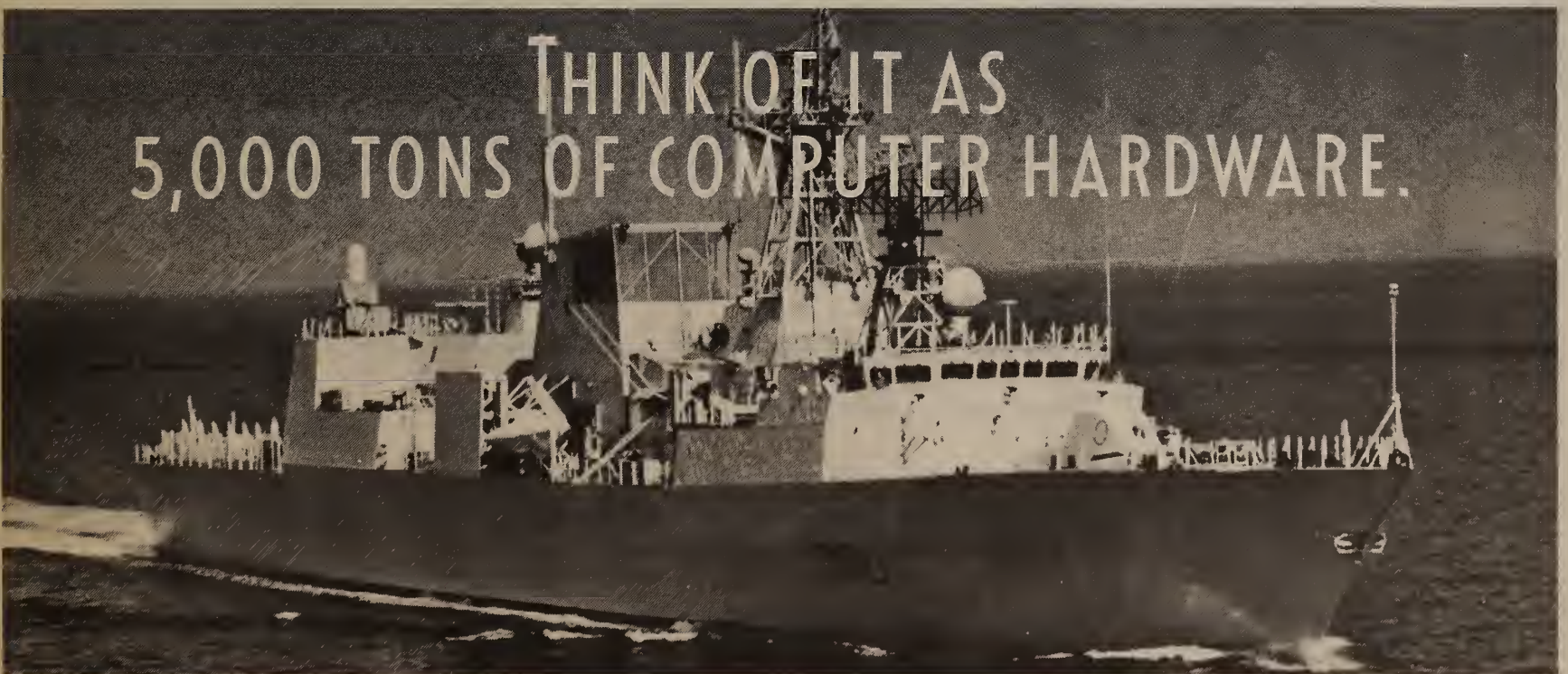
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# SPORTS

## Basketball Condors get Royal pounding

By John L. Tachauer

The women's basketball Condors suffered a 66-53 loss to the Redeemer Royals of Ancaster after a second-half pounding at home on Feb. 6.

"We had spirited play on our part (during the first half) and we gave an excellent defensive effort," said Condor coach Fred Humphrey. "We were getting the ball where we wanted it."

Dhana Clements had 15 rebounds in the first half.

Humphrey blamed the problem in the second half on turnovers caused by the Condor guards.

"The guards lack experience. They tend to give up the ball."

Humphrey also blamed the loss on player position changes.

"Some of the players are doing things that they were not trained to do."

Clements led the offensive attack with 14 points in the first half for a game total of 21 while Royal Debbie VanderStelt tallied 13.

Karen Beaton also contributed on behalf of the Condors with 12 points while Jacqueline Scholman and Karen Schouten scored 12 each for Redeemer.

"We had not had a lot of success this season," said Humphrey. "The team has not been aggressive or physical enough."

Humphrey also said the league is strong this year, including teams

such as Mohawk and Humber. "But the team has yet to quit," he added.

The Conestoga season record stands at one win and 11 losses as of Feb. 7.

## Coach's corner

By John L. Tachauer

Nearing the end of the basketball season, women's basketball Condor coach Fred Humphrey said the team consists of some fine players, despite having a poor season.

Humphrey considered Condor Dhana Clements to be a top performer for the team.

"(Clements) basically does everything you want a centre or forward to do in a game," said Humphrey. "She is a team leader."

Clements, the team's co-captain, is the team's leading scorer and rebounder, he said. She scores on average 20-25 points per game and 15-25 rebounds.

Humphrey also had good things to say about Karen Beaton, the other team captain.

"She is tall and can rebound," he said, "but she is just learning."

Beaton is second in Condor scoring.

Janine Reimer and Andre Buzbuzian were also key contributors, he added.

## Hockey Condors split two games

The hockey Condors moved their season record to 6-6 and a tie after losing a 5-4 game to the Buffalo State Bengals on Feb. 5 and winning a 5-3 game against Niagara College on Feb. 8.

Shawn Wright led the attack for the Condors in the Buffalo game with three goals. Ian Morgan scored the other Condor goal.

In the Niagara game, Wright scored a goal and three assists.

Also contributing for the Condors were Todd Francis, Brett Long, Faustino Pellegrino and Stu Schneider.

## Athletes of the week



Shawn Wright

Shawn Wright of the men's hockey Condors has been named male athlete of the week for the second consecutive week. He scored three goals in the Condor loss to Buffalo State.

Wright is in his second year of the business administration marketing program at Doon campus.



Dhana Clements

Dhana Clements of the women's basketball Condors has been named female athlete of the week for the third consecutive week. She led the Condor offense in the game against Redeemer College.

Clements is in her third year of the nursing program at Doon campus.



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## Intramural team of the week



### The Regulators, sno-pitch

Back row, from left: Don Drury, Derek Fitzmorris, Dawn Sauer, Gregg Litt, Chris Ojick, Laurie Strauss, Dean Hutchison; front row: Troy Starr, Tim Hehn; absent: Joanne Schneider

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## Athletics/D.S.A Awards Night

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